Protecting Overseas Korean Nationals In Crisis
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Current Situation
Increasing importance of work concerning Korean Nationals Protection

- Terrorism, War, Religious Conflicts, Weapons of Mass Destruction, Economic Crisis
- Climate Change, Natural Disasters (Earthquake, Tsunami, etc.), epidemics

Rising Demand for Protection

- Growth of Koreans advancing abroad
  (7 million residents abroad, 13 million travellers each year)
- Incidents Abroad: Increasing in number and in complexity

Changing Views on Consular work

- Growing importance of Korean Nationals Protection work
  ※ Consular Affairs places an immediate connection between the Ministry and the people; therefore, people tend to evaluate the Ministry on the quality of its Consular Services
- Growing Expectations for Consular Services
  ※ Concerns on Moral Hazards
Ⅱ. MOFAT System
MOFAT System

Overseas Korean Nationals Protection and Crisis Management Division

Response System
- Consular Call Center
- Rapid Deployment Team
- Consular Assistants
- Rapid Overseas Remittance System
- Emergency Financial Assistance
- Legal Advisory Assistance
- Management of Detained Koreans Abroad

Prevention System
- Travel Advisory System
- Travel Prohibition System
- Traveller Registration System
- Safety Information SMS
- Regional Conference of Consuls
- Inspection of Areas of Potential Danger
- Promoting “Safe Travel”
II. MOFAT System - Response System

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Case Study:
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III. Case of Libya

Situation

- 1460 Koreans in Libya
- Break-ins of local Libyans into Korean construction sites
- Only 9 staff members at the Embassy
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Evacuation

Transportation
- 2 charter planes
- 1 warship
- ...and countless vehicles and commercial ships from the private sector

Arrangements
- **Embassy**: administrative procedures at harbours and airport
- **Rapid Deployment Team**: Passport/Travel Certificate Issuance, Distribution of Emergency Supplies
- **Foreign workers**: evacuation of Korean company employees from Bangladesh, etc. (with the help of IOM)
Questions Raised & Lessons Learned

01 What if a diplomatic mission had not existed?

02 What if similar incidents occur in countries without a Korean mission?

03 How can we simplify the administrative procedures in times of emergency?
IV. MOU with IOM
This MOU provides a framework between the MOFAT and IOM for cooperation and facilitation of the emergency evacuation and related services of Korean nationals, including, but not limited to, locations where no MOFAT representation exists.
IV. MOU with IOM

01 Arrangement of in-country transportation to the airport of departure
02 Organized international evacuation transportation by air, land or sea
03 Facilitation of travel documents and documentation for transit countries
04 Fitness to travel medical checks
05 Assistance to evacuees with departure formalities

※ MOFAT will reimburse IOM for all direct operational costs, and a service fee will be charged to each service request. - MOFAT will then charge each national
IV. MOU with IOM

Significance

- Bilateral
- Professional Migration
- Foothold for further cooperation

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Multilateral
Thank you